

A RESOLUTION BY
COUNCIL MEMBERS CLETA WINSLOW AND IVORY YOUNG

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO DESIGN A PLAN FOR REHABILITATION OF STORM DAMAGED NEIGHBORHOODS; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO IDENTIFY AND REALLOCATE FINANCIAL RESOURCES FOR THE REHABILITATION PROJECT; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO IDENTIFY UNENCUMBERED FUNDS FOR REALLOCATION TO RELIEF EFFORTS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5.25 MILLION; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO CONTINUE TO SEEK FEDERAL, STATE AND PRIVATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR THIS EFFORT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BACKGROUND

WHEREAS, during the weekend of September 20-22, 2002 unprecedented heavy rainfall and other undetermined factors resulted in sever flooding in several neighborhoods in Council District 3 and 4, and other areas of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, the Council previously enacted Resolution No 02-R-1717 endorsing and authorizing the Mayor to continue and to supplement emergency efforts to address the damage and disruption resulting from this event; and

WHEREAS, the Atlanta-Fulton County Emergency Management Agency has distributed checks for interim financial relief to affected residents certified by the American Red Cross; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Watershed Management, Public Works and Planning have determined that additional long-term and comprehensive rehabilitation of the affected neighborhoods is necessary; and

WHEREAS, the preliminary analysis of the rehabilitation needs of these neighborhoods includes housing rehabilitation and infrastructure improvements; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of the rehabilitation is \$5.25 Million; and

WHEREAS, funds have been identified in various grant accounts that may be redirected to this effort; and

WHEREAS, additional unencumbered funds may be available for this effort from Empowerment Zone accounts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Mayor is authorized to continue to assess the scope of damage in the affected communities and to design a comprehensive plan for rehabilitation to include rehabilitation of damaged dwellings and infrastructure improvements.

Section 2. The Mayor and the Chief Financial Officer are authorized to identify and to reallocate, through appropriate legislation, such unencumbered funds as may be available within the City budget for reallocation to this relief effort, in an amount not to exceed \$5.25 Million.

Section 3. The Mayor is authorized to seek such other funds as may be available from Federal, State and private sources for this relief effort.